My name is Lynne Cariglio, and I live in Cheshire, Connecticut. I am contacting you because I am very concerned for the future of my son.

My son Tanner Whittington has an autism spectrum disorder.

Connecticut does not provide services for adults who have Autism Spectrum Disorders but do not have mental retardation and Tanner will be 21 in 3 years and receives no services. I am writing to you about Bill No HB5558 which would expanding services from the state for those living with ASD and I urge you to support it. Tanner can live and work in the community as a productive member of society but not without the appropriate supports. This bill will allow for Tanner to access these supports and live up to his fullest potential.

You can reach me at 203-272-3202 or <a href="mailto:ckbtt@sbcglobal.net.I">ckbtt@sbcglobal.net.I</a> look forward to discussing this important issue with you at your earliest convenience. Thank you again for your time.

Very truly yours,

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